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SUBJECT: REPORT OF BREAK-IN AND BURGLARY AT SFM TEL AVIV

OFFICE AT PAL HOTEL ON MARCH 30, AND APRIL 3, 1977

1. FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY REPORT OF BREAK-INS AND BURGLARY WHICH OCCURRED AT SFM TEL AVIV OFFICE AT PAL HOTEL ON MARCH 30 AND APRIL 3, 1977.

(A) MARCH 30 BREAK-IN AND BURGLARY:

ON MARCH 31, 1977, MR. FRANK BATES, ESY LOGISTICS CO-ORDINATOR ASSIGNED TO SFM TEL AVIV OFFICE REPORTED A BREAK-IN AND BURGLARY OF SFM OFFICE IN TEL AVIV WHICH OCCURRED ON THE NIGHT OF MARCH 30, 1977. ITEMS REPORTED MISSING WERE:

(1) SFM VEHICLES KEYS 015, (2) BLACK BRIEFCASE CONTAINING US \$15-20 WHICH WAS THE PERSONAL PROPERTY OF MR. BATES, (3) AN ADDRESS BOOK WHICH WAS ALSO THE PERSONAL PROPERTY OF MR. BATES AND (4) EIGHTEEN-HUNDRED (1800) ISRAELI POUNDS. THESE ITEMS WERE LAST NOTICED AT 2000HRS LT MARCH 30 AND WERE MISSED AT APPROXIMATELY 0600 HRS LT MARCH 31.

BOTH THE PAL HOTEL AND THE POLICE WERE NOTIFIED OF THE INCIDENT ON MORNING OF MARCH 31.

(B) APRIL 3 BREAK-IN:

AT 0520 ON APRIL 3, MR. BATES WAS AWAKENED BY STRANGE NOISES COMING FROM THE OFFICE SECTION OF SUITE. UPON ENTERING THE OFFICE, MR. BATES SAW AN INDIVIDUAL DRESSED IN DARK CLOTHING.

AT THIS POINT, THE INDIVIDUAL REACHED IN HIS COAT WITH HIS

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LEFT HAND AND SPOKE TO MR/ BATES IN HEBREW IN A THREATS AT (#) TONE. MR. BATES OFFERED NO RESISTANCE AND RETURNED TO HIS QUARTERS ADJACENT TO THE OFFICE AND CALLED HOTEL SECURITY. BY THE TIME THE SECURITY MAN ARRIVE THE INTRUDER HAD LEFT THE PREMISES. NOTHING WAS TAKEN. ENTRY APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN MADE THROUGH THE TOP PART OF AN OFFICE WINDOW. EXIT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN MADE THROUGH TWO DOORS LEADING TO THE PATIO, ONE OF WHICH WAS

DISCOVERED OPEN, AND THE OTHER UNLOCKED, AFTER BREAK-IN. BOTH HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY LOCKED FROM THE INSIDE. POLICE WERE CALLED AND RESPONDED. OFFICE WAS DUSTED FOR PRINTS. MR. BATES WILL GO TO THE POLICE STATION ON APRIL 4 TO VIEW MUG SHOTS.

2. HAVE ASKED GOI TO INFORM AS TO WHAT MEASURES ARE BEING TAKEN TO INSURE SECURITY AND TO PREVENT RECCURANCE THIS TYPE INCIDENT.

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3. SEPARATE MESSAGE BEING SENT GREENVILLE.

4. WILL PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS ONCE INVESTIGATION REPORTS COMPLETE.

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